

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 3 of the specification, please delete the paragraph beginning with the phrase "The mathematical means..." and replace the same with:

The mathematical means for calculating discrete spectral color values in the color gamut or any other values which could be deemed necessary in the sense of the present invention are well known, and reference is made to a text book including such topics, entitled "Fundamentals of digital image processing", by Anil K. Jain, Prentice Hall information and system science series, Englewood Cliffs, NY 07632, 1989 (ISBN 0-13-336165-9). The content of this text book is included in the present disclosure by reference.

On page 8 of the specification, please delete the paragraph beginning with the phrase "Currently, designers have..." and replace the same with:

Currently, designers have changed from using manual and analog processes to digital processes for designing and creating work to be printed or delivered in electronic form. The use of desktop applications such as Quark XPress, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator and Adobe InDesign and many other programs has replaced the use of mechanical layouts on art boards and paper. The rationalization process has seeped down through the whole process, embodied in computer-to-plate, softproof and various data formats and other electronic metaphor or equivalent of the previously manual processes.

On page 12 and 13 of the specification, please delete the paragraph beginning with the phrase "C2: The assignee's..." and replace the same with:

C2: The assignee's GretagMacbeth installed base and new users (pull)

All current and future users of the assignee's instruments will use the invention seamlessly; all instruments of the assignee will feature a download option that will enable them to download a pre-selected user range of color books for further utilization and comparison (in the same way as SE (SpectroEye of the present application) does today).

On page 13 of the specification, please delete the paragraph beginning with the phrase "C6: Large printing..." and replace the same with:

C6: Large printing machine manufacturers can be an important potential co-promoter (Pull):
These will be permitted, for a fee, to license the access rights to a website or software according to the invention for all their devices and software. In exchange, HDM (Heidelberger Druckmaschinene, or in English, 'Heidelberger Printing Machines') will co-promote the concept and push the invention as a standard in the industry standardization bodies (such as CIP4, JDF JDF and others)

On page 14 of the specification, please delete the paragraph beginning with the phrase "C8: the designers..." and replace the same with:

C8: the designers -- and their clients -- at large (main Pull)
These represent the main pull for promoting as an upgrade option (essentially free) to software in accordance with the invention consisting of plug-ins for Photoshop and QxP QuarkXPress extensions, they will be permitted to access an e-server according to the invention and browse through color books and test renditions of particular colors on selected substrates. Extensions of plug-in(s) will also enable PDM (Product Data Management) vendors to license access to the web resource according to the invention.

On page 14 of the specification, please delete the paragraph beginning with the phrase "For establishing the..." and replace the same with:

For establishing the standard, it is important that all members of the PPVC (Prepress, Print Value Chain) can share the digital color books without any copyright restrictions or limitations as long as the copyright marks of the manufacturer of the digital color book and the applicant's and co-promoter's trademarks are found in the file. The color books are therefore (besides a copyright stamp) not protected against duplication, but quite the opposite.

On page 15 of the specification, please delete the paragraph beginning with the phrase "Tollgate 2..." and replace the same with

Tollgate 2:
The software development kit is licensed to support the reading and writing of CxF-compatible data files to every vendor interested in supporting the import and export of

CxF-compatible data files. A small fee is charged to every customer using the SDK to cover the setting-up expenses. The developers will have access to all upgrades of the CxF SDK. No further run-time license fees apply. Distribution of applications containing embedded SDK is allowed without any restrictions. Alternatively, customers can get a free license to support the CxF standard without using the foregoing SDK -- ~~this~~ this requires registration, though.